Subject: Chat with Caleb Pritchard
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Caleb: Hey, guy.
Caleb: Wanna see something really great?
me: sup Twitter buddy
Caleb: http://web.gbtv.com/media/video.jsp?content_id=20029639
Caleb: The whacky morning zoo crew riff on right-wing chain e-mail zaniness.
me: this better be good
Caleb: It's a fine re-introduction to Glen Beck if you haven't seen his schtick in a while.
Caleb: I had sorta forgotten.
me: that's okay
me: I'd RATHER forget!
me: speaking of which
me: Remember Rathergate?
me: better yet
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me: I want to tell you something
me: I want you to think about it
me: ready?
me: tell me when you're ready
Caleb: I WAS BORN READY
me: Purple Band-Aids.
Caleb: FLIP FLOP
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me: they brought their own flip flops
Caleb: FLIP
Caleb: i mean
Caleb: FLOP
me: they can use them again if Romney gets nomination
me: speaking of which
me: who's gonna win this thing?
me: you got any predictions?
Caleb: Man, it's so fucked up right now.
Caleb: It'd be pretty damned hard to predict who's gonna go the distance.
Caleb: I'd imagine Gingrich has the best shot at Iowa.

me: who won Iowa in 2004?
Caleb: Romney so far has been secure in New Hampshire.
Caleb: Democrat?
me: 2008, I mean
Caleb: Huckabee.
me: okay then
Caleb: Iowa's super heavy on social conservatives.
Caleb: It's not the bellwether everyone makes it out to be.
Caleb: But whoever wins it will likely last a few more rounds against whoever wins New Hampshire.
Caleb: And whoever wins New Hampshire will likely end up with the nod.
me: did Guiliani win anything in 2008?
Caleb: I don't think so.
Caleb: He disengaged Iowa and New Hampshire and put all his eggs in Florida.
Caleb: And got his ass kicked.
Caleb: Because it was down to Huckabee and McCain at that point.
me: well, in his defense, that was a good strategy for him
Caleb: Lots of folks have pointed out this week that at this point in 2004, the Bush camp was all but certain they'd face Dean in the general.
me: yeah, Rove was hoping for it
Caleb: I read a _Times_ article from early December 2004 today.
Caleb: Didn't even mention Kerry.
Caleb: He ended up winning Iowa.
Caleb: Then New Hampshire.
Caleb: Then all the rest.
Caleb: So lots can happen between now and the Iowa caucus.
Caleb: Especially given Gingrich's ability to say ridiculous shit.
Caleb: And the polling data that universally indicates a frustrated, non-committal GOP base.
me: I'm gonna have to back Gingrich on this one
me: due to his having used the Foundation Trilogy as his plan
me: and also his intent to build Lunar mines
me: and Mitt Romney trying to poke fun at that
Caleb: He's also the only one who takes seriously our nation's alarming _Goldeneye_ gap.
Caleb: I went to Shamrock last weekend.
Caleb: Generally I use my grandparents to gauge the general pulse of your street-level GOP voter.
Caleb: All they seem to know is that Obama is a muslim and Romney's first name is Dick.
me: http://www.memphisflyer.com/binary/01c6/1313434757-romney-fudge.jpg